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Photo by Airman Bradley Lail

Sonya Campbell helps 2-year-old Andrias glue together his caterpillar during arts and crafts at the Library. Arts and crafts is another activity for toddlers during story time. See related photo, Page 4.



Photo by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards

Tech. Sgt. John Ward (right), 39th Services Squadron quality assurance, gets help from Tech. Sgt. Daryle Moncrief, 39th Comptroller Squadron finance customer service NCO in charge. The comptroller flight recently became a squadron. See related story, Page 3.

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Capt. Paul Keown, 39th Medical Squadron laboratory services chief, puts sunblock on his 7-year-old daughter, Tehya. Using sunblock helps reduce the risk of getting skin cancer. See related story, Page 6. (Photo by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards)

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Comptroller flight becomes squadron NEWS

CPTS CC said although name changed, squadron still devoted to top quality customer service

By Tech. Sgt. Melissa Phillips
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

The 39th Air Base Wing Comptroller Flight became the comptroller squadron along with other comptroller flights across the Air Force June 25.

"It was an Air Staff initiative to change all Air Force flights to squadrons based on the scope of the work performed," said Maj. Jeffrey Bell, 39th CPTS commander, who recently arrived here in early June from Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

Although their name changed, Major Bell said not much else has.

Finance employs about 30 people dedicated to resolving pay issues for 4,000 plus base people, and they also in-process approximately 150 new arrivals every month, ensuring each person is paid correctly. They service more than 600 customers per month in the customer service section, while their disbursing office cashes over \$1 million in checks monthly.

"We are still devoted to top quality customer service and providing professional budgetary support to senior leadership," he said. "Personally, it's always great to command at a higher level. But as far as impacting what we do, changing our name to a squadron doesn't. We are still dedicated to getting the job done and doing it well."

Doing the job well and making customers feel No. 1 is a skill the comptrollers were recently commended for when they won the 2003 Financial Services Office of the Year and a special acts and services award at the Air Force level.

"It gives me a warm fuzzy to know we are now among the other



Photo by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards

Staff Sgt. James Martinez, 39th Comptroller Squadron cashier, cashes a check for Senior Airman Brandon Layman, 39th Security Forces Squadron pass and registration assistant NCO in charge. The comptroller flight recently became a squadron along with other comptroller flights across the Air Force.

squadrons on base, and I feel like we get more R.E.S.P.E.C.T," said Tech. Sgt. Dean'na Hoy, 39 CPTS NCO in charge of customer service. "As a flight or squadron, customer service has always been our No. 1 priority."

For any finance-related issues, call 39th CPTF customer service at 6-6306.



Photo by Master Sgt. Austin Carter

Sweets for a sweetie

IZMIR AIR STATION, Turkey -- Senior Master Sgt. Suzette Kachmaryk shares some candy with a patient at the Dr. Behcet Uz Children's Hospital in Izmir. Sergeant Kachmaryk is the president of the Izmir Top 4 which raised more than \$200 for the hospital this year. The group donated about 2,000 diapers and 30 bags of candy. The sergeant is superintendent of the 425th Air Base Squadron's communications flight.

General revises clothing policy for Airmen deploying to SWA

By Staff Sgt. Todd C. Lopez

379th Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

All Airmen deploying to the Central Command area of responsibility must now ensure the clothing they pack is in step with a dress and appearance policy revision now in effect.

The most significant change requires Airmen to wear either desert camouflage uniforms or physical training gear while on an Air Force installation in Southwest Asia, said Lt. Gen. Buck Buchanan, U.S. Central Command Air Forces commander.

When the Air Force physical training uniform is made available, it and DCUs will be the only authorized clothing for Airmen assigned to units in theater, unless they are specifically authorized to wear something else, the general said.

General Buchanan's new policy ensures Airmen's attire portrays a positive military image and supports the area's force-protection posture.

"As a military community, we are increasingly taking on the role of U.S. ambassadors," General Buchanan wrote in the policy letter. "We must also ensure protection of our forces. Accordingly, I have reviewed proper order and discipline requirements and force-protection policies, in regards to dress and appearance, to ensure every possible step has been taken to portray a positive military image and to protect the personnel assigned to this command."

At Army installations in the region, the Army dress and appearance requirements, which parallel the new CENTAF policies, will be the standard for deployed Airmen.

Because the Air Force PT uniform is still in development, Airmen are authorized to wear civilian-style PT gear as long as it is conservative, professional and with only minimal and appropriate decoration. Shirts must have

sleeves and be predominantly a solid color. Shorts must reach to the mid or lower thigh and can not be made of spandex, the general said.

For duty-related tasks that require civilian clothing, for military travel in and out of the theater, and for locations where Airmen are authorized to leave the installation for cultural or recreational activities, they must wear conservative clothing. The policy defines "conservative" as sleeved shirts and dress pants or jeans, which fit properly and are a solid, dark color and are in good repair. Shoes should also be conservative and sturdy. Well-maintained sneakers or hiking boots are recommended while open-toed shoes, sandals and "flip-flops" are prohibited.

The policy gives installation commanders the leeway to authorize people to wear civilian clothing for specific official duties or visits, special activities and specialized PT such as swimming, weight lifting, basketball and volleyball. The clothing authorized in these instances will be conservative as defined and posted by installation commanders.

A new policy letter specifically states that Airmen deploying to the AOR should bring only a "minimum amount of civilian clothing," defined as no more than two dress outfits and/or two casual outfits, not including standard or specialized PT gear.

"How military members present themselves both on and off duty continues to be an important part of the effect our presence has at locations across the globe," General Buchanan said. "This policy ensures our Airmen's dress and appearance give the same professional impression that their tireless accomplishment of the mission does every day. And as importantly, the conservative, low profile it creates reinforces our force-protection goals and operations in the theater."

Airmen deploying can get more information or a copy of the policy letter at their local military personnel flight or their unit deployment manager. *(Courtesy of Air Force Print News)*



Photo by Airman Bradley Lail

Project Wizard

Library Technician Latoya Broyles reads the book "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" to toddlers during story time at the library. The library sponsors a weekly children's story hour Fridays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. For more information, call the library at 6-6759.

Uniform board releases results

Air Force chief of staff approves several uniform changes

By Staff Sgt. Melanie Streeter
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON – Air Force officials released the results of the 96th Air Force Uniform Board held June 18 and 19.

The chief of staff approved a number of changes, affecting everything from cell phones to scarves. Among the changes are:

- ♦ Establish a standardized Air Force physical training uniform.
- ♦ Redesign the female lightweight blue jacket.
- ♦ Authorize the lightweight blue jacket to be worn indoors.
- ♦ Authorize, as an option, to have the Air Force symbol embroidered on the lightweight blue jacket.
- ♦ Offer the A-line skirt as an optional item.
- ♦ Redesign and revise maternity uniforms.
- ♦ Authorize the black scarf only with all Air Force uniforms, eliminating white, gray and olive drab options.
- ♦ Authorize conservative ornamentation on nonprescription sunglasses and eyeglasses.

Heroism award

SECAF approves 'V' device

Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche has authorized use of the "V" device, to represent valor, on Distinguished Flying Crosses awarded for heroism.

The decision is intended to clearly distinguish and denote a DFC awarded for heroism. It allows any Reserve, Guard or active-duty Airman or Air Force DFC recipient honored for heroism on or after Sept. 18, 1947, to wear the "V" device on the DFC.

The approval is effective immediately; Airmen previously awarded the DFC for heroism, as indicated on the citation, certificate or order, are now authorized to wear the "V" device.

"There is no requirement to have a personnel office verify entitlement to wear the 'V' device," said Master Sgt. Al Salinas, chief of the recognition programs branch at the Air Force Personnel Center. "Simply put, anyone awarded the DFC for heroism is entitled to

♦ Authorize one small, black, nondescript personal digital assistant, pager or cellular phone at a time to be worn on the uniform belt.

♦ Allow females to wear small, black spherical earrings when in uniform.

♦ Allow black web belts or black riggers belts with nondescript buckles as an optional item with the battle dress uniform.

♦ Remove the requirement to wear a tie or tab with short-sleeved shirt or blouse while traveling on a commercial airline.

♦ Authorize wear of a backpack over both shoulders.

♦ Authorize only a solid-color black backpack with blue uniform combinations and solid black, olive drab or woodland camouflage backpack with battle dress uniforms.

♦ Redesign the security forces beret.

♦ Allow the wear of plain black conservative hairpins, combs, headbands, elastic bands and barrettes with all female hair colors.

♦ Allow males to cleanly shave their heads or have military high-and-tight haircuts; females are not authorized to shave their heads or wear high-and-tight haircuts.

More information about these and other uniform board decisions will be included in the next update of Air Force Instruction 36-2903, being released this summer. Questions should be addressed to local military personnel flights.

wear the device. Also, the military personnel data system will be updated later this year to reflect the DFC with valor in active-duty Airmen records."

If needed, current Airmen who have lost personal copies of their citation or order may inquire about obtaining a replacement copy from their servicing military personnel flight. Veterans may seek copies from the National Personnel Records Center at the following address:

National Personnel Records Center, 9700 Page Avenue, St. Louis, MO, 63132.

Airmen may purchase the "V" device from an Army and Air Force Exchange Service clothing sales store, or contact their servicing MPF's awards and decorations section for issue. Veterans may purchase the device through AAFES or commercial sources.

(Courtesy of Air Force Personnel Center News Service.)



IN
BRIEF

Combat Proud

Monday is an Incirlik Combat Proud Day. Units are responsible for cleaning 50 feet around their facilities and their assigned zone. Facility managers should use their checklist to ensure their areas comply with Combat Proud standards. Focus areas during the inspection are housing, dorms, landscaping, signs, parking lots and the main entrance to the base. For more information, check the source or call 6-PROUD (6-7768).

Television cable outages

Incirlik will experience short television cable outages Wednesday through July 18. These outages are to update the cable system and should not affect the housing areas. For more information, call Daryl Johnson, 39th Communications Squadron maintenance control lead technician, at 6-2666.

Red Cross changes

The American Red Cross office in Stuttgart, Germany, now handles all emergency communications casework. The Incirlik Red Cross will still maintain volunteer and health and safety programs. The office hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12 to 4 p.m. For emergency assistance for Incirlik, Izmir, Ankara and Istanbul, call the Stuttgart Red Cross at DSN 314-431-2818, or 0049-703-115-818. Emergency financial assistance is provided by the family support center Air Force Aid office.

New South Korea duty incentive

Airmen who volunteer to serve 24-month unaccompanied or 36-month accompanied tours before leaving their current duty station will be offered \$300 per month for the duration of the tour. Extension and in-place options will be available to individuals choosing to extend after they are in country. The extension program offers Airmen three options: \$2,000 cash, 30 days of nonchargeable leave or 15 days of nonchargeable leave and a plane ticket to the nearest port of entry. Airmen with assignments to South Korea will be offered the incentive before they move. Upon arrival, servicing military personnel flight officials will confirm the Airman's intent and begin the incentive if the Airman elects this option.



Photo by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards

Danny McFadden, 16, and Josh Paveglio, 17, sit in the shade to find relief from the sun. People should avoid unnecessary sun exposure between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when the sun is highest in the sky and ultraviolet radiation is at a peak.

Hot Stuff

Sun safety helps protect against long-term damage

By 1st Lt. Elizabeth Culbertson
39th Maintenance Group

Temperatures are soaring, the sun is blazing and the beach is calling. As newcomers to Incirlik quickly discover, Adana in the summer is hot.

People flock to Kizkalesi, Alanya and other beaches to get relief from the heat in the Mediterranean's waves. But as people don their bikinis and swim trunks, they need to remember to wear something else — sunscreen.

Sun safety is serious business; one severe sunburn can increase the risk of developing skin cancer by as much as 50 percent according to the Skin Cancer Foundation Web site. As one Incirlik service member discovered, lack of protection now can lead to significant consequences later.

"I still hear people telling me, 'I don't need sunscreen,' as if they have some special agreement with the sun not to damage them," said Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Smith, 39th Operations Squadron air traffic controller.

After enduring freezing-off, cutting-off and finally laser surgery to remove several suspicious sun spots on her face and body, Sergeant Smith said she knows better.

"Every skin tone and color is susceptible," she said. "Sun-damaged skin is no treat."

There are a few basic steps to take to protect against sun damage according to the Web site:

- ♦ Avoid purposely sunbathing, whether at a beach or tanning salon. There is no such thing as a "safe" or "healthy" tan.
- ♦ Avoid unnecessary sun exposure between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when the sun is highest in the sky and harmful ultraviolet radiation is at a peak.

- ♦ Use a sunscreen rated SPF 15 or higher and reapply often. Sunscreen applied in the morning does not last all day. Parents, make sure to help children apply sunblock.

Skin cancer is very slow to develop. The sunburn received this weekend may take 20 years or more to become skin cancer. Long sleeves and pants offer protection, as do wide-brimmed hats. UV-blocking sunglasses protect eyelids and also help reduce the risk of cataracts later.

Another important safety measure is a self-examination. At least every three months, examine skin from head to toe. Anything that changes, grows or fits the early warning signs should be examined by a doctor immediately. A mole that changes, a sore that won't heal, a growth that gets bigger, and a spot that continually itches, hurts or scabs over are all potential signs of skin cancer.

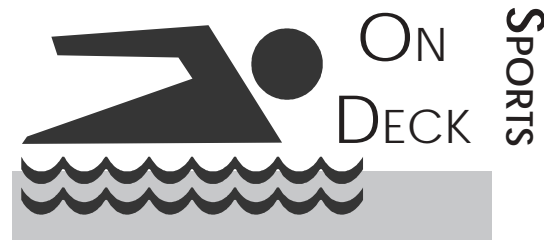
"In this day and age, there is no reason to get a savage tan, especially with all the products out there for 'pseudo' tans," said Sergeant Smith. "It's a no-brainer."

(Information courtesy of the Skin Cancer Foundation Web site at www.skincancer.org)

Early warning signs of skin cancer

- A** - Asymmetry (common moles are round and symmetrical)
- B** - Border (skin cancers may have uneven borders)
- C** - Color (watch for varied shades of brown, tan or black and also red, white and blue)
- D** - Diameter - if a spot is larger than a pencil eraser (6mm or quarter-inch diameter) it could be trouble

Good vs. Bad Running Form



Information provided by the 39th Medical Squadron Health and Wellness Center. Photos by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards

Soccer camp — The youth center is sponsoring a five-day soccer camp program Monday through July 16 for children ages 6 to 18. They will learn new soccer techniques as well as basic soccer. Cost is \$20. For more information, call the youth center at 6-6670.

Water aerobics — Water aerobics classes are offered Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 6 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$30 per month. For more information, call 6-6044.

Lap swim — Early morning lap swim is Mondays through Fridays from 6 to 7 a.m. at the base pool. For more information, call 6-3442.

Skeet and trap shooting — Outdoor recreation offers skeet and trap shooting Tuesdays through Fridays by appointment. Open shooting begins Saturdays at 9 a.m. Cost is \$10, and includes shells and clays. For more information, call 6-6044.

Combat Hapkido — The fitness center sponsors Combat Hapkido Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:45 p.m. and Fridays at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 6-6086.

Scuba course — Outdoor recreation offers a scuba course, which includes training and Professional Association of Diving Instructors certification. Water training is provided in an indoor pool, plus four open water dives in Kizkalesi. Cost is \$250. For more information, call Yasar Karalar, scuba instructor, at 6-6044 or e-mail incirlikdiving@yahoo.com.

Trotters and Striders Club — Keep a fitness center record of the miles walked or ran and qualify to win prizes. For more information, call 6-6086.

Massage therapy — The fitness center has two licensed massage therapists on staff. People can schedule an appointment Mondays through Sundays between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. For more information, call 6-6086.

Extreme Summer points — People can earn Extreme Summer points by submitting a FitPoints report. The report is at the FitLinxx Web site at www.incirlik.fitlinxx.com under "Workouts." For more information, call the fitness center at 6-6086.

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS



By Col. Michael Gardiner, 39th Air Base Wing commander

With the July 4th weekend behind us, we need to focus on the future opportunities ... U.S. Air Forces in Europe Combat Proud Competition and the unit compliance inspection. But first, I would like to thank everyone for the emphasis on safety over the long weekend. Many had the chance to get away and relax. Others enjoyed the festivities and fireworks on base. Most importantly, everyone did so safely and returned for duty on Tuesday. Thanks Team Incirlik. Now it's time to step up to our next challenges.

Taking pictures on base

Although taking a snap shot of the main gate might seem like a mandatory scrapbook item for people stationed in a foreign country, it's against the rules here. Our hosts have asked us not to photograph or videotape Turkish military operations, to include Turkish military members, buildings or their equipment, unless permission is granted by the Turkish Air Force. However, base members can take pictures at certain designated areas and events like school facilities, recreation areas, picnic areas and housing without permission – as long as no Turkish Air Force buildings or members are in the background. For more information about photo approval at Incirlik, go to Incirlik Air Base Instruction 35-123, *Photography and Videography*

at Incirlik Air Base, at <http://source/39abw/39msg/39cs/scb/scba/SCBAP/35%20Series/35series.htm> or call Public Affairs at 6-6060.

Combat Proud

I want to personally thank everyone for participating in Thursday's Combat Proud base-wide initiative. The next Combat Proud day is Monday in preparation for the upcoming Combat Proud inspection competition on Tuesday. Keep in mind that pride in appearance spills over into pride in work, mission accomplishment, esprit-de-corps and customer satisfaction. Let us keep up the good work and win the USAFE competition.

Career Job Reservation

Force Shaping Phase II has reintroduced the Career Job Reservation program. CJR limits reenlistments into the career force by constraining Air Force specialties for some first-term Airmen. The CJR window for four-year enlistees is the first duty day of the month during which they complete 35 months on their current enlistment, but no later than the last duty day of the month during which they complete 43 months on their current enlistment (59th month through 67th month for six-year enlistees). Look familiar? This is the same time frame for retraining. Only first-term Airmen need to apply for a CJR. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Roberta Williams at 6-1019, stop by and see her in Bldg. 833, Room 174, or e-mail at Roberta.Williams@incirlik.af.mil. Also, check out her Web page at http://source/39abw/wing_agencies/CAA for some great career counseling tools.

Force Protection

Force Protection is everyone's responsibility. It goes hand-in-hand with safety, especially during these critical summer months. We all have a part in safeguarding people, preventing unauthorized access to equipment, installations, material and documents. Take responsibility for yourself and those around you. Every member of the Incirlik community is a sensor ... stay vigilant. Immediately report any suspicious activity to the law enforcement desk at 6-3200.

Violating standards

Are you part of the problem or part of the solution?

By Master Sgt. Ed Peers
39th Operations Squadron first sergeant

The most frequent reason for violating a particular dress and appearance standard is lack of knowledge.

Who is to blame for these violations? We all are to some extent.

The person violating it obviously shoulders most of the blame, but I have watched plenty of people ignore violations and become part of the problem rather than part of the solution. If they did not correct it because they didn't know, it may reduce their responsibility to some extent but doesn't excuse them entirely. It is the responsibility of each of us to know and enforce standards of dress and appearance.

I do not mean we have to run across parking lots like drill sergeants yelling at someone who forgot to put their hat on as they walked out of a building. I'm only suggest-

ing we have a duty to enforce standards on each member of our profession.

The standard I see most frequently violated is someone without a hat, usually forgotten through absentmindedness. That is easy because all you have to do is get their attention and tap the top of your head, or say, "Forgot your hat." There is no lengthy explanation required about why they have to wear a hat or listening to them say, "Really? I didn't know I had to wear a hat." It's something people just know.

On the other hand, there are plenty of examples of violations I have seen recently because people simply did not know. Have you seen someone walking in uniform with headphones on? The fact is it is prohibited. Have you seen someone in uniform roller skate or roller blade? Have you seen someone smoking near the entrance or exit of a building?

The fact is you will not find all the answers in Air Force Instruction 36-2903, *Dress*

and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel. Some policies and directives specifically addressing issues that may be violations are found in other publications.

For example, the prohibition on smoking near entrances or exits is contained in AFI 40-102, *Tobacco Use in the Air Force*, and provides for smoking only in designated areas marked by a sign.

Not every feasible act that could detract from your professional image can be written into a publication, so commanders are left with the determination when questions arise about what does or does not detract from presenting a professional image.

The best advice is to avoid anything that could detract from portraying a professional image while in uniform.

If you have a question about dress and appearance refer to AFI 36-2903. If you can't find the answer there, contact your supervisor or first sergeant.



Ask MEHMET

By Mehmet Birbiri, *Host Nation Adviser*

Question: Mehmet, you've been writing about places and sights around Turkey. They are very informative and interesting, but how about Adana? Can you tell us about the history of Adana?

Answer: Thank you for reminding me of my hometown.

Adana is the fourth largest city in Turkey with about 1.5 million people. Due to the richness of its natural resources, strategic location, mild weather and fertile lands for farming, Adana is one of the oldest cities founded in this region. The city is situated about 30 miles inland from the Mediterranean Sea.

The Cukurova plains around Adana are irrigated by water from the Seyhan river, which flows through the city from north to south. Irrigation canals are spread throughout the plains. Three dams, two of them within city limits, were built on the Seyhan river. The old dam was built in 1935 and is mainly used to regulate the flow of the river to the irrigation canals. The new dam was built in 1953 and is used to stop floods and for power production. There is a hydroelectric power plant at the new dam. The reservoir behind the new dam, Adana Lake, changed the face of the city. The city started to move toward and around the lake within the last 20 years.

The Cukurova University campus occupies almost all of the eastern side of the lake. Cukurova University, which has 30,000 students, is among the top 10 universities of Turkey.

Adana is an industrial and agricultural city. Most of its industry relies on agricultural products. Adana farmers mainly produce cotton. That is why Adana is the center of Turkish textile industry, one of Turkey's leading industries. Farmers also grow various other products like grain, corn, fruit and vegetables.

Turkey's main highway, E-5, now renamed E-90, goes through Adana. This highway has been in the same location for at least 2,500 years. As well as the crusaders, Alexander the Great used this road on his way to India.

The oldest documents mentioning Adana are Hittite texts, which date back to 1,600 B.C. Thus, we can easily say the roots of Adana go back at least 3,500 years. Adana and its



Courtesy photo

Driving by Lake Adana and seeing the beautiful view is one of the things you can do to kill time. Most of the locals spend their evenings drinking tea by the lake.

surroundings were occupied by the Hittites in the 15th century B.C.

There are several theories about how Adana got its name. The most common is Adana was originally founded by Seyhanus and Adanus, the sons of god Uranus, who in Greek mythology represented the great Bear. Thus, Adana derived its name from Adanus, and the river running through it, Seyhan, got its name from Seyhanus.

Located on a main trade route, Adana was subject to constant invasions. Archeological excavations show the city housed at least 10 civilizations and 18 states.

In the 6th century B.C., Adana became part of the Persian empire only to be conquered by Alexander the Great in 333 B.C. before passing into the hands of the Selucids after his death. Later, it was conquered by Pompey and became part of the Roman Empire. The armies of Islam captured the region in the 7th century. In the 11th century, the crusaders invaded the area. In the 12th century, the Seljuk Turks captured the region. In 1517, Sultan Selim captured the area and made it part of the Ottoman Empire. Following the First World War, Adana was occupied by French armies. On Jan. 5, 1922, Adana was liberated from French occupation.

Despite its long history, there aren't many artifacts. The oldest monument in the city is the Roman bridge. It was built by the Roman Emperor Hadrian in the 2nd century A.D. It is 319 meters long and has 21 arches, 14 of which are still standing. The old mosque (Yag Cami) was built in 1501. The Old Market in the same area is also about 500 years old.

New Adana, north of E-5 highway, has many things to offer. New and modern shop-

ping malls can compete with any shopping mall in Europe. Movie theaters show films in English.

Numerous restaurants serve typical local and western dishes. Those restaurants are mostly located on Ziyapasa Boulevard, parallel to Ataturk Boulevard. You will find many fish restaurants alongside the Adana Lake as well.

Driving by the lake and seeing the beautiful view is one of the things you can do to kill time. Most of the locals spend their evenings drinking tea by the lake.

One place you should not miss while in Adana is the Sabanci Mosque. The mosque was built in 1999 and it's the largest mosque in Turkey and one of the largest in the Middle East. That is a subject for another article.

In Turkish

sehir- city
(sheh-eer)

nehir- river
(neah-eer)

sicak- hot
(seh-juck)

Do you have a question about something Turkish? Ask Mehmet. To submit a question, call 6-6060 or e-mail mehmet.birbiri@incirlik.af.mil.

THE INCIRLIK GUIDE



Today

X-Box tourney — The community center sponsors an X-Box tournament from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The game is Crimson Skies. Cost is \$2 and winner takes all. For more information, call 6-6966.

Children's story hour — The library sponsors a weekly children's story hour from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 6-6759.

Saturday

Framing course — The skills development center offers instructional framing courses Saturday and July 24 at 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$25 plus materials. Participants should bring an 8-by-10 inch artwork or photo. For more information, call 6-3858.

Scrapbooking club — The skills development center offers a scrapbooking club from 12 to 4 p.m. Saturday and July 24. The center also seeks a scrapbooking instructor. For more information, call 6-3858.

Upcoming

Volunteers needed for Tops in Blue performance — The community center needs volunteers for a Tops in Blue performance July 16 at 7 p.m. at Hangar 4. For more information or to volunteer, call Nerissa Atkisson at 6-6966.

Sewing class — The skills development center sponsors a sewing class July 23 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Students complete a quilted tote bag. Bring a sewing machine if able. All materials included. Cost is \$15. To register, call 6-3858.

WIC overseas summer schedule — WIC overseas opens for the summer from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

beginning August 9. For more information, call Staci Crawford at 6-1237.

Teen movie night — The youth center sponsors a teen movie night July 16 from 8 to 11 p.m. Cost is \$3 for members and \$5 for nonmembers. For more information, call 6-6670.

Movie of the month — The community center is showing "Against the Ropes" July 30 at 6 p.m. The event is free. For more information, call 6-6966.

Ongoing

CTC degree evaluation — The Central Texas College offers evaluations for students who have completed six semester hours with CTC. An evaluation can award college credits for military training and experience and an evaluator will explain how transfer credits will fit into a CTC degree plan. For more information, call Mine Smith at 6-6046 or click on www.ctc-europe.com.

CTC class offerings — The Central Texas College will offer associates in applied science and in the following degrees if there are enough interested students: applied management/military science, automotive mechanic, criminal justice, early childhood development, emergency medical technician, food service management and legal assistant. For more information, call Mine Smith at 6-6046.

ITT hours — Information, Ticket and Tours is located in the club complex. Their hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 6-6049.

Participate in Extreme Summer, win prizes — Earn points for participating in events and programs at base facilities for chances to win \$150,000 in prizes at www.extremesummer.com. For more information, call Jean Best-Richardson at 6-8411.

Summer Sunday breakfast — Ala carte breakfast will be served at the club instead of brunch during the summer months from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For more information, call the club at 6-6010.

Pet adoption — The stray animal facility is open Saturdays from 9 to 10 a.m. for pet adoptions and donations. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Caroline Wood at 6-6072 or Staff

Sgt. Adena Eberhardt at 6-1164.

Base pool — Open swim hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1 to 6 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 8 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Lap swim hours are Mondays through Thursdays from 6 to 7 a.m. and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pool passes are on sale at outdoor recreation. For more information, call 6-6044.

COMBAT & SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS



Sunday

RCIA team meets — The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults team meets at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel conference room. New members are welcome. For more information, call Fermin Gonzaga at 6-4660.

Youth meeting — The Catholic Youth of the Chapel meets at 5:30 p.m. at the bowling alley. For more information, call Master Sgt. Larry Schneck at 6-5747.

Monday

PWOC meets — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Crossroads Café. For more information, call Melanie McDade at 6-9381.

CWOC meets — The Catholic Women of the Chapel meets at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel. For more information, call 6-6441.

Tuesday

CMOC meeting — The Catholic Men of the Chapel meets at 7 p.m. at the chapel annex. For more information, call 6-6441.

Upcoming

Library book club — The library book club is reading "Nighttime is My Time" by Mary Higgins Clark. The discussion is July 19 at 7 p.m. For more information, call the library at 6-6759.

Ongoing

Receive free welcome gift at the library — Children new to Incirlik can join the library and receive a newcomer's gift bag. For more information, call the library at 6-6759.

Combat Care car care — While military members are deployed, spouses are entitled to free minor maintenance. For more information, call Master Sgt. Alicinne Peebles at 6-6755.

Girl Scouts — The Girl Scouts need volunteers to fill positions of secretary, treasurer, events coordinator, troop leaders, troop consultants, hut manager, public relations coordinator, recruiter and troop organizer. For more information or to volunteer, call April Rogers at 6-5748, 6-6321 or 0535-214-8514.



YOUR TURN



To submit a question for "Your Turn," call 6-6060 or e-mail tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil

What is your favorite get-a-way in Turkey and why?

"Izmir. It's where I met my wife when I was stationed there in 1999."

— **Master Sgt. Philip Gui, 39th Services Squadron**



"Alanya. You can go shopping and relax at the beach. There are lots of things to do."

— **1st Lt. Marco Aminni, 39th Air Base Wing**



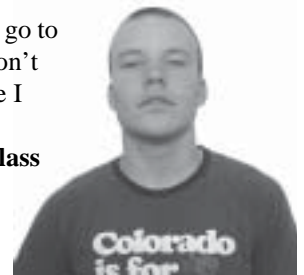
"Kizkalesi. It's really pretty with the castles nearby, and the water is beautiful."

— **Doris Dittell, homemaker, holding Darlene, 6**



"Mersin. I like to go to places where I won't run into everyone I know."

— **Airman 1st Class Christopher Williams, 39th Security Forces Squadron**



"The Black Sea. I attended college there, and it's so green, the weather is clear and the people are nice."

— **Emine Logue, homemaker**



The above key is the solution for the crossword puzzle published in the July 2 issue of the Tip of the Sword. For more information, e-mail the Tip of the Sword staff at tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil.



CLASSIFIEDS

For sale: 1992 Yamaha Zeal 250cc. Excellent condition, \$1,800 or OBO. For more information, call Rey at 6-2633 or 0-536-948-3023.

For sale: 1999 Ford F-150 Super Cab short bed pick-up truck, four doors, V8 5.4L, automatic, two-wheel drive, 29,000 miles, lariat, loaded, excellent condition, \$15,000. For more information, call John Beeman at 6-5487, 6-8815 or e-mail at john_beeman2002@yahoo.com.

For sale: 32-inch Sony Trinitron WEGA. One year old. Can deliver, \$750 or OBO. For more information, call Jeff at 6-2342.

Found: Gold three-sided cartouche with the name Jazzmine on one side; Arabic and Hicroglyphics on the other sides. For more information, call the child development center at 6-6553.

Advertisements: To place an advertisement, e-mail the Tip of the Sword staff at tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil. Submission deadlines are the Wednesday nine days prior to the desired publication date.

Yard Sale: There is a yard sale Saturday from 7 to 11 a.m. at 2855 Istanbul in Phantom Housing.

For sale: Queen-size, four-poster bed with mattress, excellent condition, paid \$950, asking only \$500 with mattress. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Kimberly Higgins at 6-6611 (days) or 6-5444 (nights).

For sale: New five-piece, king-size bedroom set with brand new mattresses, \$800 OBO. For more information, call 6-2456.

For sale: MZ 301 motorcycle, good condition, black, asking only \$675. Not a beyanname item. For more information, call Herb or Mandy at 6-5150 or 05377477804.



Photo by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards

Not just for kids

Senior Airman Heather Davidson, 39th Logistics Readiness Squadron, watches as Tech. Sgt. Zeke Mowery, 39th LRS computer operations NCO in charge, goes for a birdie. The miniature golf course is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. and is located across from the Hodja Inn. Cost is \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for children 5- to 12-years-old. Golf equipment is available at the Hodja Inn front desk. People can sponsor a miniature golf fundraiser or special event. For more information, call 6-9357.



AT THE MOVIES

Agamemnon, King of the Myceneans. Agamemnon unites the populations of Greece to bring Helen back from Troy. Showing at 9 p.m. (165 minutes)

Saturday

Johnson Family Vacation (PG-13) — Starring Cedric the Entertainer and Vanessa Williams. Invited to a big family reunion in Missouri, Nate sees it as an opportunity to reconnect with his estranged wife and growing children. He imagines a leisurely drive but between his wary wife, arguing kids, angry police officers, bizarre hitchhikers, bad diner food and an unfortunate run-in with a cement mixer, getting from point A to point B proves to be just short of a nightmare. Showing at 5 p.m. (97 minutes)



Troy (R) — Starring Brad Pitt and Eric Bana. Showing at 7 p.m. (165 minutes)

Sunday

The Punisher (R) — Starring Thomas Jane and John Travolta. FBI undercover agent, Castle, is finally moving into a safe desk job, to the delight of his wife and son. But when his family is executed after witnessing a mafia hit, Castle dons a black battle suit, arms himself with a ton of guns,

and seeks swift revenge. Showing at 7 p.m. (124 minutes)

Thursday

Hellboy (PG-13) — Starring Ron Perlman and John Hurt. A demon, Hellboy, raised from infancy after being conjured by and rescued from the Nazis, grows up to become a defender against the forces of darkness. When Rasputin returns to plan the destruction of mankind, it's up to Hellboy and his friends to stop him. Showing at 7 p.m. (122 minutes)



At the M1

Secret Window (PG-13) — 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. (96 minutes)

Spiderman 2 (PG-13) — 11:15 p.m., 12:45 p.m., 2 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. (128 minutes)

Twisted (R) — 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. (97 minutes)

American Splendor (R) — 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. (100 minutes)

Calendar Girls (PG-13) — 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. and 11:45 p.m. (108 minutes)

For more information and updates, call the movie recording at 6-6986 or the theater office at 6-9140. The provision of movie information does not constitute an endorsement by the 39th Air Base Wing, U.S. government, Department of Defense or Department of the U.S. Air Force. For more information, call the theater at 6-6986.

Today

Home on the Range (PG) — Starring Roseanne Barr and Cuba Gooding Jr. A young widow is in danger of her farm being foreclosed unless she can come up with \$1,000 for the mortgage. The farm animals, knowing she won't be able to come up with the money, hatch their own plan. The animals band together to save the farm from foreclosure. Showing at 7 p.m. (84 minutes)



Troy (R) — Starring Brad Pitt and Eric Bana. Set in ancient Greece, Paris, the Prince of Troy, begins an affair with Helen, the Queen of Sparta. King Menelaus takes this as a terrible insult, both to him and his brother,

